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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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Re: WC Docket No. 10-110

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I am writing to you concerning the pending merger of Qwest and CenturyLink. Northern Power Products, Inc. has been an Integra Telecom customer since June of 2002, and is very pleased with the consistent level of service that we have been receiving from Integra. It is critical to our business that we continue to receive reliable telecommunications and internet access services.

It is our understanding that CenturyLink is the first rural carrier to acquire a regional Bell Operating Company, and that it has little to no experience serving major urban areas like Minneapolis-St. Paul. We are concerned that the service of all residents and businesses in our state which rely directly or indirectly on Qwest's network may be adversely affected by this merger. We urge you, in reviewing this merger, to ensure that service quality and local service competition are not harmed by the transaction. The merged company must have the appropriate incentives and technical and operational resources to continue to serve all of its customers whether wholesale or retail at the same levels Qwest does today.

Our community and our businesses depend upon a common telecommunications infrastructure and we are counting on the FCC and the state commission to prevent any disruptions to it as a result of this transaction.

Sincerely



Bryan Kervick
President - CFO
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cc: Minnesota PUC Commissioners

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